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Unitary shipments -----

January 24.1% gain sets record

ARLINGTON, Va. -- Combined U.S. shipments of unitary air conditioners and air-source heat pumps were up 24.1 percent in January, compared to January 1988, a new monthly record, according to ARI statistics. Heat pumps were also up .7 percent from January 1988.

U.S shipments of unitary air conditioners and heat pumps during January:

- o totalled 360,147,
- o up 24.1% from January 1988.

Heat pump shipments included in the January figures:

- o totalled 69,465,
- o up .7% from January 1988.

January factory stocks:

- o up 24,461 units from December,
- o down 12,915 units from January 1988.

January distributor shipments:

- o down 12% from January 1988.

January distributor inventories:

- o up 64,240 units from December,
- o up 35,340 units from January 1988.

January U.S. dollar bookings of reciprocating liquid chillers:

- o up 18% from January 1988.

January U.S. dollar bookings of large tonnage liquid chillers:

- o up 96% from January 1988.

(See reverse side for Condensed Summary by size.)

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Unitary Heating and Cooling Section's Condensed Summary by Size of United States Manufacturers' Shipments

	SIZE BTUH (000)		UNITED STATES NUMBER OF UNITS CONDENSER-TYPE AIR OR EVAP. COOLED A	WATER COOLED B	U.S. TOTAL C	% CHG. FROM 1988
CONDENSED SUMMARY BY SIZE	Under 16.5		2032		2032	26.5-
	16.5-21.9		29177		29177	20.6+
	22-26.9		80263		80263	31.5+
	27-32.9		73657		73657	28.5+
	33-38.9		80996	44	81040	18.1+
	39-43.9		25653		25653	21.6+
	44-53.9		28310		28310	21.5+
	54-64.9		28301	61	28362	36.1+
	65-96.9		4484	34	4518	3.2-
	97-134.9		3139	26	3165	1.8+
	135-184.9		1612	25	1637	.2+
	185-249.9		1148	13	1161	87.0+
	250-319.9		291	16	307	2.7+
	320-379.9		192	18	210	5.0+
	380-539.9		210	29	239	17.2+
	540-639.9		114	31	145	83.5+
	640 and over		251	20	271	36.9+
	TOTAL		359830	317	360147	24.1+